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For: TYRE FOR VEHICLE WHEELS AND	)	
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1. European patent publication no. 0 242 840 A1. The relevance of this document is discussed in the abridging paragraph at pages 15 and 16 of the specification of the present application. An English language abstract of this document is also enclosed.

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